

Minutes of the Seventy Fourth Annual General Meeting



**SOSA Gliding Club
Annual General Meeting - 2023 Minutes**

**March 4, 2023
Via Zoom Video Conference**

2022 Board Members

Joerg Stieber	President
Dale Guenter	Secretary
Tom Coulson	Treasurer and Vice President
Malcolm McClaren	CFI/Director Flying Operations
Mike Viechweg	Director Ground Equipment and Facilities
Jeff Keay	Communications Director
Angelo Quattrociocchi	Director of Aircraft Maintenance
James Wood	Director of Membership

AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Approval of Minutes of February 2022 AGM
3. Annual Report, commentary, discussion, approval of 2022 financial statements
4. Safety Report
5. 5 Year Capital Plan
6. Break
7. Canadian National Soaring Championships 2023
8. Other Business
9. SOSA 2022 Awards
10. Election of Directors
11. Election of President
12. Motion to Destroy Ballots
13. a) Motion to waive appointment of public accountant. b) Motion to appoint audit committee chair.
14. Motion to Ratify the 2022 Board Actions.
15. Motion to Adjourn.

1 Meeting Called to Order – Joerg Stieber 13:00

Attendees

- As of this meeting date, we have 59 sustaining and life members registered for the 2023 year, 40 of these attending the AGM, no proxies, and 17 other participants. Thus, a duly constituted quorum for this AGM is established.

Meeting Agenda was reviewed. Motion to approve was not conducted.

2 Approval of Minutes

Motion—Be it resolved that the minutes of the 2022 AGM as presented in the Annual Report be approved.

- Moved by Jeff Keay
- seconded by James Wood
- None opposed. Motion carried

3 Annual Report Discussion

- Report from the President – Highlights reported. In addition DG 1001 will not be finished manufacturing till October 2023. Questions about installing transponders were fielded.
- Report from the Treasurer – Highlights reported
- Report from Director of Flying Operations/CFI – Highlights reported.
- Report from Director of Membership – Highlights reported.
- Report from Director of Grounds and Facilities – Highlights reported.
- Report from Director of Aircraft Maintenance – Discussion -- Mark Luscher points out that it is possible to tell how well our flarms are transmitting. He has noted that there are a large number of flarms that are not transmitting adequately to be safe. Rob Russel mentioned that this needs to be something we all become aware of and consider changing for our own aircraft. This should become a club priority for this season. Discussion about ADSB potential for our aircraft, determining how much to invest in ADSB technology in Canada will be difficult.

Motion—Be it resolved that the 2022 Financial statements be accepted.

- Moved by Chris Wilson.
- Seconded by Malcolm McClaren
- None opposed. Motion carried.

4 Safety Report

Hans was not attending but forwarded highlight notes underlining that traffic conflict, both between our own aircraft and between gliders and airliners, were the major safety concern this season. This will be discussed in a spring session about situational awareness. Malcolm and Joerg discussed situational awareness further, and that we need to keep discussing competent radio management. James raised that Rob and Mark L who have interest and expertise with Flarm issues should be connected with the safety committee and maybe the board to be sure that work gets traction.

5 Five Year Capital Plan was reviewed.

Tom explained that the plan is made of both known purchases we are planning and possible expenses we might have in the future.

Motion—Be it resolved that the 2023 5 Year Capital Plan be accepted.

- Moved by Mo Attia.
- Seconded by Rafael Bravo.

- None opposed. Motion carried.

6 Break

7 Nationals

Dates of Nationals announced. Wanted to have only 1 weekend of club operations affected.

8 Other Business

Rafael Bravo explained the winching program. This will happen again this year usually on Friday afternoons and evenings. People need to sign up in advance, will need a minimum each day. Hopefully start early in season. Also discussed the XC week, a licensed XC pilot flies with a bronze badge pilot to increase competence with XC flying.

Bob Munroe asked whether SOSA is aiming to be in compliance with new legislation in Ontario for not-for-profit corporations. It was pointed out that we are federally regulated and incorporated as a not-for-profit so the Ontario changes likely won't be relevant for us. He also had some suggestions for film footage for the club and for the web page. Bob and Jeff Keay will collaborate on moving this forward.

Reza Darvish pointed out that there are training and introductory flight programs for people with disabilities. He wonders if SOSA could participate in this. There is such a program at York or Toronto Soaring now.

Frank Swenor asked about the ways to be involved with Nationals, and some options were discussed.

9 2022 Awards presentations:

- DOUGLAS C. WINGER MEMORIAL TROPHY awarded for a significant contribution by a Tow Pilot – Duncan Duong.
- THE DOUGLAS C. WINGER 500 awarded for the fastest 500 km triangle flown from SOSA – No declared 500 so no winner this year.
- DR. WOLF DIETRICH LEERS AWARD awarded to the SOSA Instructor of the year – Sean Christie
- KEN LARMOUR AWARD awarded to a first year flying member who made a significant contribution to the club – Dan Aberg
- THE JUNIOR TROPHY awarded to the most cumulative distance flying the Junior – Mike Chazot - 201.84 km at 62.47km/h July 16/2023
- THE ROYAL CROWN COLA SOARING TROPHY awarded for the best flight by a Silver Badge Pilot – Irek Sek - 458.43 km at 105.52km/h July 14/2022
- THE REINHARD awarded for a significant contribution to the non-flying operation at SOSA – Will Nyland
- MEMBER AT LARGE AWARD awarded for a significant contribution to overall operations at SOSA – James Wood
- SOSA FLIGHT ACHEIVEMENT TROPHY – Awarded for a significant flight by a SOSA pilot anywhere – Adam Zieba 641.97km at 82.96km/h, 927.90 olc points & Jerzy Szemplinski 962.11km at 116.65 km/h, 1010.43 olc points

10 Election of Directors

Dale reported Current directors completing their terms are Joerg Stieber, Tom Coulson, Angelo Quattrociocchi, Dale Guenter. Current directors with 1 more year left in their terms are Jeff Keay, Mike Viechweg, Malcolm McClaren, James Wood.

Jeff Keay nominated Joerg Stieber for the board. Seconded by James Wood.

Mike Viechweg nominated Tom Coulson for the board. Seconded by Joerg Stieber.

Angelo Quattrociocchi nominated Dan Aberg for the board. Seconded by Jeff Keay.

Dale Guenter nominated Sean Christie for the board. Seconded by James Wood.

No further nominations were forthcoming. These nominees were acclaimed as directors of the Board of SOSA for a 2 year term.

11 Election of President.

Jeff Keay nominated Joerg Stieber for President. There were no other nominations.

Joerg Stieber was acclaimed as President.

12 There were no ballots and so no need to ratify a motion to destroy them

13 Motion to waive appointment of public accountant.

Motion - that Sosa Gliding Club waive the appointment of a public accountant for external audit for the 2023 fiscal year.

- *Moved by Dale Guenter,*
- *seconded by Jeff Keay.*
- *Motion carried unanimously with no dissenting votes.*

Motion – that Rafael Bravo stand as chair of the Audit Committee for 2023.

- *Moved by Joerg Stieber,*
- *seconded Rafael Nunes. Carried.*

14 Motion to Ratify the 2022 Board

Motion – Be it resolved that the membership ratify the actions and decisions of the 2022 board.

- *Moved by Chris Wilson,*
- *Seconded by Sean Christie.*
- *None Opposed. Motion carried.*

Motion to Adjourn

Motion—Be it resolved that the 2023 AGM of SOSA be adjourned.

- *Moved by Rafael Bravo.*
- *Seconded by Sean Christie. Motion carried.*